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In re Application of

Attn: Mail Stop Amendment

Hiroyuki OTSUKA

Patent Art Unit: 3682

Serial No.: 10/811,914

Filed: March 30, 2004

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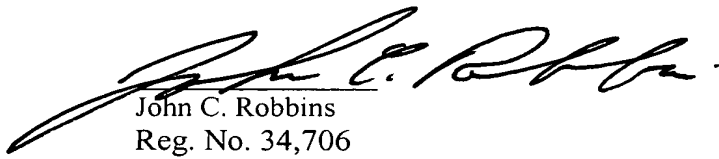
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

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Sir:

In response to the August 28, 2006 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the *Listing of Claims*, which begins on page two (2) of this paper. Claims 1-18, 20 and 21 are pending, with claims 1, 14 and 20 being the only independent claims.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.